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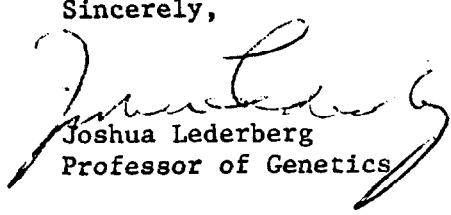
Dear Mr. Fabbriante,

Thank you so much for your invitation, March 29, to participate in your graduation exercises. To my regret, the date is just impossible. I will have business in New York early in July and I just do not see any way that I could pack in additional trip just 10 days earlier. You know, as I have written before, what a deep debt I owe to Stuyvesant High School and I certainly would like to contribute to the answers to the challenges you mentioned in your letter.

I am hoping that you may also be able to respond to my query for information about the history of "education for the intellectually gifted" as manifested in Stuyvesant High School.

In fact your letter gives another hint, when you mention that Stuyvesant has been "rated first in the high schools in our nation." Can you tell me the source of that rating? Have there been similar distinctions at earlier stages in the school's history?

Sincerely,


Joshua Lederberg
Professor of Genetics

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